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Substitute Senate Bill No. 205

Senate, March 12, 2008

The Committee on Government Administration and Elections reported through SEN. SLOSSBERG of the 14th Dist., Chairperson of the Committee on the part of the Senate, that the substitute bill ought to pass.

AN ACT CONCERNING THE IMPLEMENTATION OF STATE CONTRACTING REFORM.

Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives in General Assembly convened:

- 1 Section 1. (*Effective from passage*) Sections 1 to 15, inclusive, 20 to 32,
- 2 inclusive, and 41 to 47, inclusive, of public act 07-1 of the September
- 3 special session shall be effective October 1, 2008.
- 4 Sec. 2. (Effective from passage) Section 16 of public act 07-1 of the
- 5 September special session shall be effective January 1, 2009.
- 6 Sec. 3. (Effective from passage) Sections 18 and 33 to 40, inclusive, of
- 7 public act 07-1 of the September special session shall be effective April
- 8 1, 2010.
- 9 Sec. 4. Section 4e-1 of the 2008 supplement to the general statutes is
- 10 repealed and the following is substituted in lieu thereof (Effective
- 11 *October* 1, 2008):

For the purposes of sections 4e-1 to 4e-47, inclusive, as amended by

- 13 this act:
- 14 (1) "Best value selection" means a contract selection process in which
- 15 the award of a contract is based on a combination of quality, timeliness
- 16 and cost factors;
- 17 (2) "Bid" means an offer, submitted in response to an invitation to
- 18 bid, to furnish supplies, materials, equipment, construction or
- 19 contractual services to a state contracting agency under prescribed
- 20 conditions at a stated price;
- 21 (3) "Bidder" means a business submitting a bid in response to an
- 22 invitation to bid by a state contracting agency;
- 23 (4) "Business" means any individual or sole proprietorship,
- 24 partnership, firm, corporation, trust, limited liability company, limited
- 25 liability partnership, joint stock company, joint venture, association or
- 26 other legal entity through which business for profit or not-for-profit is
- 27 conducted;
- 28 (5) "Competitive bidding" means the submission of prices by a
- 29 business competing for a contract to provide supplies, materials,
- 30 equipment or contractual services to a state contracting agency, under
- 31 a procedure in which the contracting authority does not negotiate
- 32 prices, as set forth in statutes and regulations concerning procurement;
- 33 (6) "Consultant" means (A) any architect, professional engineer,
- 34 landscape architect, land surveyor, accountant, interior designer,
- 35 environmental professional or construction administrator, who is
- 36 registered or licensed to practice such person's profession in
- accordance with the applicable provisions of the general statutes, (B)
- 38 any planner or any environmental, management or financial specialist,
- 39 or (C) any person who performs professional work in areas including,
- 40 but not limited to, educational services, medical services, information
- 41 technology and real estate appraisal;
- 42 (7) "Consultant services" means those professional services rendered

43 by a consultant and any incidental services that a consultant and those

- in the consultant's employ are authorized to perform;
- 45 (8) "Contract" or "state contract" means an agreement or a
- 46 combination or series of agreements between a state contracting
- 47 agency or quasi-public agency and a business for:
- 48 (A) A project for the construction, reconstruction, alteration,
- 49 remodeling, repair or demolition of any public building, public work,
- 50 mass transit, rail station, parking garage, rail track or airport;
- 51 (B) Services, including, but not limited to, consultant and
- 52 professional services;
- 53 (C) The acquisition or disposition of personal property;
- 54 (D) The provision of goods and services, including, but not limited
- 55 to, the use of purchase of services contracts and personal service
- 56 agreements;
- 57 (E) The provision of information technology, state agency
- 58 information system or telecommunication system facilities, equipment
- 59 or services;
- 60 (F) A lease; or
- 61 (G) A licensing agreement;
- 62 "Contract" or "state contract" does not include a contract between a
- state agency or a quasi-public agency and a political subdivision of the
- 64 state:
- (9) "Term contract" means the agreement reached when the state
- accepts a bid or proposal to furnish supplies, materials, equipment or
- 67 contractual services at a stated price for a specific period of time in
- 68 response to an invitation to bid;
- 69 (10) "Contract risk assessment" means (A) the identification and
- 70 evaluation of loss exposures and risks, including, but not limited to,

business and legal risks associated with the contracting process and the contracted goods and services, and (B) the identification, evaluation and implementation of measures available to minimize potential loss exposures and risks;

- (11) "Contractor" means any business that is awarded, or is a subcontractor under, a contract or an amendment to a contract with a state contracting agency under statutes and regulations concerning procurement, including, but not limited to, a small contractor, minority business enterprise, an individual with a disability, as defined in section 4a-60 of the 2008 supplement to the general statutes, or an organization providing products and services by persons with disabilities;
- (12) "Contractual services" means the furnishing of labor by a contractor, not involving the delivery of a specific end product other than reports, which are merely incidental to the required performance and includes any and all laundry and cleaning service, pest control service, janitorial service, security service, the rental and repair, or maintenance, of equipment, machinery and other state-owned personal property, advertising and photostating, mimeographing, human services and other service arrangements where the services are provided by persons other than state employees. "Contractual services" includes the design, development and implementation of technology, communications or telecommunications systems or the infrastructure pertaining thereto, including hardware and software and services for which a contractor is conferred a benefit by the state, whether or not compensated by the state. "Contractual services" does not include employment agreements or collective bargaining agreements;
- 98 (13) "Data" means recorded information, regardless of form or 99 characteristic;
 - (14) "Vote of two-thirds of the members of the board present and voting" means a vote by the State Contracting Standards Board that is agreed upon by two-thirds of the members of the State Contracting Standards Board present and voting for a particular purpose and that

includes the vote of one member of the board appointed by a legislative leader;

- 106 (15) "Electronic" means electrical, digital, magnetic, optical, 107 electromagnetic, or any other similar technology;
- 108 (16) "Emergency procurement" means procurement by a state 109 contracting agency, quasi-public agency, as defined in section 1-120, 110 judicial department or constituent unit of higher education that is 111 made necessary by a sudden, unexpected occurrence that poses a clear 112 and imminent danger to public safety or requires immediate action to 113 prevent or mitigate the loss or impairment of life, health, property or 114 essential public services or in response to a court order, settlement 115 agreement or other similar legal judgment;
- 116 (17) "Equipment" means personal property of a durable nature that 117 retains its identity throughout its useful life;
- 118 (18) "Materials" means items required to perform a function or used 119 in a manufacturing process, particularly those incorporated into an 120 end product or consumed in its manufacture;

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- (19) "Nonprofit agency" means any organization that is not a forprofit business under 501(c)(3) of the Internal Revenue Code of 1986, or any subsequent corresponding internal revenue code of the United States, as from time to time amended, makes no distribution to its members, directors or officers and provides services contracted for by (A) the state, or (B) a nonstate entity;
- (20) "Professional services" means any type of service to the public that requires that members of a profession rendering such service obtain a license or other legal authorization as a condition precedent to the rendition thereof, including, but not limited to, the professional services of architects, professional engineers, or jointly by architects and professional engineers, landscape architects, certified public accountants and public accountants, land surveyors, attorneys-at-law, psychologists, licensed marital and family therapists, licensed

professional counselors and licensed clinical social workers as well as such other professional services described in section 33-182a;

- 137 (21) "Privatization contract" means an agreement or series of 138 agreements between a state contracting agency and a person or entity 139 in which such person or entity agrees to provide services that are 140 substantially similar to and in lieu of services provided, in whole or in 141 part, by state employees, other than contracts with a nonprofit agency, 142 which are in effect as of [January 1, 2009] October 1, 2008, and which 143 through a renewal, modification, extension or rebidding of contracts 144 continue to be provided by a nonprofit agency;
- 145 (22) "Procurement" means contracting for, buying, purchasing, 146 renting, leasing or otherwise acquiring or disposing of, any supplies, 147 services, including but not limited to, contracts for purchase of services 148 and personal service agreements, interest in real property, or 149 construction, and includes all government functions that relate to such 150 activities, including best value selection and qualification based 151 selection;
- 152 (23) "Proposer" means a business submitting a proposal to a state 153 contracting agency in response to a request for proposals or other 154 competitive sealed proposal;
- 155 (24) "Public record" means a public record, as defined in section 1-156 200;
- 157 (25) "Qualification based selection" means a contract selection 158 process in which the award of a contract is primarily based on an 159 assessment of contractor qualifications and on the negotiation of a fair 160 and reasonable price;
- 161 (26) "Regulation" means regulation, as defined in section 4-166;
- 162 (27) "Request for proposals" means all documents, whether attached 163 or incorporated by reference, utilized for soliciting proposals;
- 164 (28) "State contracting agency" means any executive branch agency,

board, commission, department, office, institution or council. "State contracting agency" does not include the judicial branch, the legislative branch, the offices of the Secretary of the State, the State Comptroller, the Attorney General, the State Treasurer, with respect to their constitutional functions, any state agency with respect to contracts specific to the constitutional and statutory functions of the office of the State Treasurer. For the purposes of section 4e-16 of the 2008 supplement to the general statutes, state contracting agency includes any constituent unit of the state system of higher education;

(29) "Subcontractor" means a subcontractor of a contractor for work under a contract or an amendment to a contract;

- (30) "Supplies" means any and all articles of personal property, including, but not limited to, equipment, materials, printing, insurance and leases of real property, excluding land or a permanent interest in land furnished to or used by any state agency;
- (31) "Infrastructure facility" means a building, structure or network of buildings, structures, pipes, controls and equipment that provide transportation, utilities, public education or public safety services. Infrastructure facility includes government office buildings, public schools, jails, water treatment plants, distribution systems and pumping stations, waste water treatment plants, collections systems and pumping stations, solid waste disposal plants, incinerators, landfills, and related facilities, public roads and streets, highways, public parking facilities, public transportation systems, terminals and rolling stock, rail, air and water port structures, terminals and equipment; and
- (32) "State employee" means state employee, as defined in section 5-154 and, for purposes of section 4e-16 of the 2008 supplement to the general statutes, state employee includes an employee of any state contracting agency.
- Sec. 5. Section 4e-10 of the 2008 supplement to the general statutes is repealed and the following is substituted in lieu thereof (*Effective*

- 197 October 1, 2008):
- (a) On or before [July] May 1, 2010, the board shall submit to the
- 199 Governor and the General Assembly such legislation as is necessary to
- 200 permit state contracting agencies, not including quasi-publics,
- 201 institutions of higher education, and municipal procurement processes
- 202 utilizing state funds, to carry out their functions under statutes and
- 203 regulations concerning procurement.
- (b) On or before [July] May 1, 2011, the board shall submit to the
- 205 Governor and the General Assembly such legislation as is necessary to
- apply the provisions of statutes concerning procurement to constituent
- 207 units of the state system of higher education. Concomitantly, the board
- shall submit such additional legislation as is necessary to apply the
- 209 provisions of statutes and regulations concerning privatization and
- 210 procurement to quasi-public agencies.
- 211 (c) On or before [July] May 1, 2012, the board shall submit to the
- 212 Governor and the General Assembly such legislation as is necessary to
- 213 apply the provisions of statutes and regulations concerning
- 214 procurement to the municipal procurement processes utilizing state
- 215 funds.
- Sec. 6. Section 4e-11 of the 2008 supplement to the general statutes is
- 217 repealed and the following is substituted in lieu thereof (Effective
- 218 *October* 1, 2008):
- 219 (a) The board shall provide assistance to the Secretary of the State,
- 220 Comptroller, Treasurer and Attorney General to develop best
- 221 procurement practices specific to the constitutional and statutory
- 222 functions of each office and consistent with statutes and regulations
- 223 concerning procurement.
- (b) Each of the officers specified in subsection (a) of this section shall
- 225 adopt a code of procurement practices on or before [June] April 1,
- 226 2011.
- Sec. 7. Section 4e-12 of the 2008 supplement to the general statutes is

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repealed and the following is substituted in lieu thereof (*Effective October 1, 2008*):

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- (a) On or before [February 1, 2011] <u>December 1, 2010</u>, the judicial branch and the legislative branch shall each prepare a procurement code applicable to contracting expenditures, including, but not limited to, expenditures: (1) Involving contracting and procurement processes for purchasing or leasing of supplies, materials or equipment, consultant or consultant services, personal service agreements or purchase of service agreements; and (2) relating to contracts for the renovation, alteration or repair of any judicial branch or legislative branch facility in accordance with section 4b-1.
- (b) The procurement codes described in subsection (a) of this section shall be designed to: (1) Establish uniform contracting standards and practices; (2) simplify and clarify contracting standards and procurement policies and practices, including, but not limited to, procedures for competitive sealed bids, competitive sealed proposals, small purchases, sole source procurements, emergency procurements and special procurements; (3) ensure the fair and equitable treatment of all businesses and persons who deal with the procurement system; (4) include a process to maximize the use of small contractors and minority business enterprises; (5) provide increased economy in procurement activities and maximize purchasing value to the fullest extent possible; (6) ensure that the procurement of supplies, materials, equipment, services, real property and construction is obtained in a cost-effective and responsive manner; (7) include a process to ensure contractor and judicial branch or legislative branch accountability; and (8) provide a process for competitive sealed bids, competitive sealed proposals, small purchases, sole source procurements, emergency procurements, special procurements, best value selection, qualification based selection and the conditions for their use.
- (c) On or before [February 1, 2011] <u>December 1, 2010</u>, the judicial branch shall submit such procurement code for review and approval to the joint standing committee of the General Assembly having

- 261 cognizance of matters relating to the judiciary.
- Sec. 8. Section 4e-14 of the 2008 supplement to the general statutes is
- 263 repealed and the following is substituted in lieu thereof (Effective
- 264 October 1, 2008):
- On and after [June] April 1, 2010, all state contracts of each state
- 266 contracting agency that take effect on or after [June] April 1, 2010, shall
- 267 contain provisions to ensure accountability, transparency and results
- 268 based outcomes, as prescribed by the State Contracting Standards
- 269 Board. On and after [June] April 1, 2010, all state contracts of the
- 270 legislative branch and the judicial branch that take effect on or after
- [June] April 1, 2010, shall contain provisions to ensure accountability,
- transparency and results based outcomes.
- Sec. 9. Section 4e-17 of the 2008 supplement to the general statutes is
- 274 repealed and the following is substituted in lieu thereof (Effective
- 275 October 1, 2009):
- 276 (a) Except as otherwise provided, the provisions of sections [4e-16]
- 277 <u>4e-17</u> to 4e-47, inclusive, <u>as amended by this act</u>, shall apply to all
- 278 contracts solicited or entered into by state contracting agencies after
- 279 [June] April 1, 2010.
- 280 (b) Except as otherwise provided, the provisions of sections 4e-16 to
- 281 4e-47, inclusive, <u>as amended by this act</u>, shall apply to every
- 282 expenditure of public funds by any state contracting agency,
- 283 irrespective of their source, involving any state contracting and
- 284 procurement processes, including, but not limited to, leasing and
- 285 property transfers, purchasing or leasing of supplies, materials or
- 286 equipment, consultant or consultant services, personal service
- agreements, purchase of service agreements or privatization contracts,
- as defined in section 4e-1, as amended by this act, and, relating to
- 289 contracts for the construction, reconstruction, alteration, remodeling,
- 290 repair or demolition of any public building, bridge or road.
- 291 (c) Nothing in sections 4e-16 to 4e-47, inclusive, as amended by this

292 <u>act</u>, shall be construed to require the application of procurement

- 293 statutes or regulations to a procurement that involves the expenditure
- of federal assistance or federal contract funds if federal law provides
- 295 procurement procedures applicable to the expenditure of such funds,
- 296 to the extent such federal procedures are inconsistent with state
- 297 procurement statutes or regulations.
- Sec. 10. Section 4e-19 of the 2008 supplement to the general statutes
- 299 is repealed and the following is substituted in lieu thereof (Effective
- 300 August 1, 2009):
- 301 (a) All purchases of, and contracts for, supplies, materials,
- 302 equipment and contractual services by any state contracting agency,
- 303 except purchases and contracts made pursuant to the provisions of
- 304 section 4e-23 of the 2008 supplement to the general statutes, as
- 305 amended by this act, shall be awarded by one of the following
- 306 methods, unless otherwise authorized by law:
- 307 (1) Competitive sealed bidding;
- 308 (2) Competitive sealed proposals;
- 309 (3) Small purchase procedure;
- 310 (4) Sole source procurement;
- 311 (5) Emergency procurements; or
- 312 (6) Waiver of bid or proposal requirement for extraordinary
- 313 conditions.
- 314 (b) Not later than [June] April 1, 2010, the State Contracting
- 315 Standards Board shall adopt regulations, in accordance with the
- 316 provisions of chapter 54, to define each of the methods listed in
- 317 subsection (a) of this section, establish the circumstances in which each
- 318 such method shall be used by state contracting agencies, and establish
- 319 the processes and criteria by which purchases and contracts shall be
- awarded in accordance with each such method.

Sec. 11. Section 4e-20 of the 2008 supplement to the general statutes

- 322 is repealed and the following is substituted in lieu thereof (Effective
- 323 October 1, 2008):
- 324 (a) Not later than [June] April 1, 2010, the State Contracting
- 325 Standards Board shall adopt regulations, in accordance with the
- 326 provisions of chapter 54, specifying the procedure for issuing
- 327 invitations for bids which shall include the required elements of an
- 328 invitation for bids, the process for opening of bids, and criteria for the
- 329 evaluation and award of bids.
- 330 (b) Not later than [June] April 1, 2010, the State Contracting
- 331 Standards Board, in consultation with the Commissioner of
- 332 Administrative Services, shall adopt regulations, in accordance with
- 333 the provisions of chapter 54, specifying the circumstances in which
- contracts and purchase orders, in an amount in excess of fifty thousand
- dollars, may be awarded by a method of source selection other than
- 336 competitive sealed bidding.
- Sec. 12. Section 4e-21 of the 2008 supplement to the general statutes
- 338 is repealed and the following is substituted in lieu thereof (Effective
- 339 *October 1, 2008*):
- 340 (a) Not later than [January 1, 2010] October 1, 2009, the State
- 341 Contracting Standards Board, in consultation with the Department of
- 342 Administrative Services, shall adopt regulations to establish small
- 343 purchase procedures for procurements that do not exceed fifty
- 344 thousand dollars. Such regulations shall include a prohibition on the
- 345 artificial division of a procurement in order to make use of such small
- 346 procurement procedures.
- 347 (b) The State Contracting Standards Board, in consultation with the
- 348 Commissioner of Administrative Services, may determine that a state
- 349 contracting agency has artificially divided procurement requirements
- so as to constitute a small purchase under this section and, upon such
- determination shall prohibit the state contracting agency from utilizing
- 352 such small purchase procedures.

353 (c) The State Contracting Standards Board, in consultation with the 354 Commissioner of Administrative Services, may waive the requirement 355 of competitive bidding or competitive negotiation in the case of minor, 356 nonrecurring or emergency purchases of ten thousand dollars or less 357 in amount.

- Sec. 13. Section 4e-22 of the 2008 supplement to the general statutes is repealed and the following is substituted in lieu thereof (*Effective October 1, 2008*):
- 361 Not later than [June] April 1, 2010, the State Contracting Standards 362 Board, in consultation with the Commissioner of Administrative 363 Services, shall adopt regulations, in accordance with the provisions of 364 chapter 54, specifying the circumstances in which a contract may be 365 awarded for a supply, service or construction item without 366 competition. Such regulations shall include, but not be limited to, 367 situations in which an agency contracting officer states in writing that 368 there is only one source for the required supply, service or 369 construction item, provided sole source procurement is not permitted 370 unless a requirement is available from only a single supplier.
- Sec. 14. Section 4e-23 of the 2008 supplement to the general statutes is repealed and the following is substituted in lieu thereof (*Effective October 1, 2008*):
- Not later than [June] <u>April</u> 1, 2010, the State Contracting Standards Board, in accordance with the provisions of chapter 54, shall adopt regulations establishing procedures for waiver of competitive bid or proposal requirements.
- Sec. 15. Section 4e-24 of the 2008 supplement to the general statutes is repealed and the following is substituted in lieu thereof (*Effective October 1, 2008*):
- Not later than [June] <u>April</u> 1, 2010, the State Contracting Standards Board, in consultation with the Commissioner of Administrative Services and any other appropriate award authority, shall adopt

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regulations, in accordance with the provisions of chapter 54, permitting emergency procurements when there exists a threat to public health, welfare or safety. Such emergency procurements shall be made with competition, as is practicable under the circumstances. Said regulations shall require that a written determination of the basis for the emergency and for the selection of the particular contractor be included in the contract file and transmitted to the Governor, the president pro tempore of the Senate, the majority and minority leaders of the Senate, the speaker of the House of Representatives and the majority and minority leaders of the House of Representatives.

- Sec. 16. Section 4e-26 of the 2008 supplement to the general statutes is repealed and the following is substituted in lieu thereof (*Effective October 1, 2008*):
- Not later than [June] <u>April</u> 1, 2010, the State Contracting Standards Board, in consultation with the Commissioner of Administrative Services, shall adopt regulations, in accordance with the provisions of chapter 54, establishing standards for the preparation, maintenance, and content of specifications for supplies, services, and construction required by the state.
- Sec. 17. Section 4e-27 of the 2008 supplement to the general statutes is repealed and the following is substituted in lieu thereof (*Effective October 1, 2008*):

406 Not later than [June] April 1, 2010, the State Contracting Standards 407 Board, in consultation with the Attorney General, shall adopt 408 regulations, in accordance with the provisions of chapter 54, specifying 409 the types of contracts that may be used by state contracting agencies. 410 Such regulations shall specify that a cost-reimbursement contract may 411 be used only when a determination is made in writing by the agency 412 procurement officer that such contract is likely to be less costly to the 413 state than any other type or that it is impracticable to obtain the 414 supplies, services or construction required except under such a 415 contract.

Sec. 18. Section 4e-28 of the 2008 supplement to the general statutes

- 417 is repealed and the following is substituted in lieu thereof (Effective
- 418 *October 1, 2008*):
- Not later than [June] April 1, 2010, the State Contracting Standards
- 420 Board shall adopt regulations, in accordance with the provisions of
- 421 chapter 54, requiring that contractors submit appropriate
- documentation to the appropriate state contracting agency, prior to the
- 423 award of a contract, to confirm that the proposed contractor's
- accounting system will permit timely development of all necessary
- cost data in the form required by the specific contract type.
- Sec. 19. Section 4e-41 of the 2008 supplement to the general statutes
- 427 is repealed and the following is substituted in lieu thereof (Effective
- 428 *October 1, 2008*):
- Not later than [June] April 1, 2010, the State Contracting Standards
- 430 Board shall adopt regulations, in accordance with the provisions of
- chapter 54, that specify the process that shall be used to procure
- 432 architectural and engineering services in design-bid-build
- 433 procurements, construction in design-bid-build procurements and
- 434 construction management at-risk. Such regulations shall include a
- description of the project delivery methods.
- Sec. 20. Section 4e-42 of the 2008 supplement to the general statutes
- is repealed and the following is substituted in lieu thereof (Effective
- 438 *October* 1, 2008):
- Not later than [June] April 1, 2010, the State Contracting Standards
- 440 Board shall adopt regulations, in accordance with the provisions of
- chapter 54, that require bid security for all competitive sealed bidding
- 442 for construction contracts in a design-bid-build procurement when the
- 443 price is estimated by the state contracting agency to exceed five
- 444 hundred thousand dollars.
- Sec. 21. Section 4e-43 of the 2008 supplement to the general statutes
- 446 is repealed and the following is substituted in lieu thereof (Effective

- 447 *October 1, 2008*):
- Not later than [June] April 1, 2010, the State Insurance and Risk
- 449 Management Board established pursuant to section 4a-19 shall adopt
- 450 regulations, in accordance with the provisions of chapter 54, in
- 451 consultation with the State Contracting Standards Board, that specify
- 452 when a state contracting agency shall require proposers to provide
- 453 appropriate errors and omissions insurance to cover architectural and
- engineering services under the project delivery methods established in
- regulations adopted pursuant to section 4e-41 of the 2008 supplement
- 456 to the general statutes, as amended by this act.
- Sec. 22. Section 4e-44 of the 2008 supplement to the general statutes
- 458 is repealed and the following is substituted in lieu thereof (Effective
- 459 October 1, 2008):
- Not later than [June] April 1, 2010, the State Contracting Standards
- 461 Board shall adopt regulations, in accordance with the provisions of
- chapter 54, to establish the process to be used to procure consultant
- services, and in consultation with the Attorney General, the type of
- 464 contract to be used to procure such consultant services.
- Sec. 23. Section 4e-45 of the 2008 supplement to the general statutes
- is repealed and the following is substituted in lieu thereof (Effective
- 467 *October* 1, 2008):
- With respect to infrastructure facilities, not later than [June] April 1,
- 469 2010, the State Contracting Standards Board, in consultation with the
- 470 state contracting agencies and the Attorney General, shall adopt
- 471 regulations, in accordance with the provisions of chapter 54, requiring
- 472 the inclusion in state contracts with any state contracting agency of
- 473 clauses providing for adjustments in prices, time of performance,
- 474 remedies, termination or other contract provisions necessary to protect
- 475 the interests of the state.
- Sec. 24. Section 4e-46 of the 2008 supplement to the general statutes
- 477 is repealed and the following is substituted in lieu thereof (Effective

478 *October 1, 2008*):

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Not later than [June] April 1, 2010, the State Contracting Standards Board shall adopt regulations, in accordance with the provisions of chapter 54, concerning the procedure and circumstances under which a state agency may allow contract modification, change order, or contract price adjustment under a construction contract with the state in excess of fifty thousand dollars. Such regulations shall require that every contract modification, change order or contract price adjustment under a construction contract with the state in excess of fifty thousand dollars shall be subject to prior written certification by the fiscal officer of the state contracting agency or other agency responsible for funding the project or the contract, or other official responsible for monitoring and reporting upon the status of the costs of the total project budget or contract budget, as to the effect of the contract modification, change order, or adjustment in contract price on the total project budget or the total contract budget. Such regulations shall further provide that in the event the certification of the fiscal officer or other responsible official discloses a resulting increase in the total project budget or the total contract budget, the agency procurement officer shall not execute or make such contract modification, change order, or adjustment in contract price unless sufficient funds are available or the scope of the project or contract is adjusted so as to permit the degree of completion that is feasible within the total project budget or total contract budget as it existed prior to the contract modification, change order, or adjustment in contract price under consideration provided, with respect to the validity, as to the contractor, of any executed contract modification, change order, or adjustment in contract price which the contractor has reasonably relied upon, it shall be presumed that there has been compliance with the provisions of this section.

Sec. 25. Section 4e-47 of the 2008 supplement to the general statutes is repealed and the following is substituted in lieu thereof (*Effective October 1, 2008*):

On or after [January] October 1, 2011, the State Contracting

511 Standards Board shall adopt regulations, in accordance with the 512 provisions of chapter 54, to apply the contracting procedures, as 513 described in sections 4e-18 to 4e-45, inclusive, <u>as amended by this act</u>, 514 to each constituent unit of the state system of higher education. Such 515 regulations shall take into consideration circumstances and factors that 516 are unique to such constituent units.

Sec. 26. (*Effective from passage*) Section 17 of public act 07-1 of the September special session shall be effective October 1, 2009.

Sec. 27. (*Effective from passage*) Section 19 of public act 07-1 of the September special session shall be effective August 1, 2009.

This act shall take effect as follows and shall amend the following			
sections:			
Section 1	from passage	New section	
Sec. 2	from passage	New section	
Sec. 3	from passage	New section	
Sec. 4	October 1, 2008	4e-1	
Sec. 5	October 1, 2008	4e-10	
Sec. 6	October 1, 2008	4e-11	
Sec. 7	October 1, 2008	4e-12	
Sec. 8	October 1, 2008	4e-14	
Sec. 9	October 1, 2009	4e-17	
Sec. 10	August 1, 2009	4e-19	
Sec. 11	October 1, 2008	4e-20	
Sec. 12	October 1, 2008	4e-21	
Sec. 13	October 1, 2008	4e-22	
Sec. 14	October 1, 2008	4e-23	
Sec. 15	October 1, 2008	4e-24	
Sec. 16	October 1, 2008	4e-26	
Sec. 17	October 1, 2008	4e-27	
Sec. 18	October 1, 2008	4e-28	
Sec. 19	October 1, 2008	4e-41	
Sec. 20	October 1, 2008	4e-42	
Sec. 21	October 1, 2008	4e-43	
Sec. 22	October 1, 2008	4e-44	
Sec. 23	October 1, 2008	4e-45	
Sec. 24	October 1, 2008	4e-46	

Sec. 25	October 1, 2008	4e-47
Sec. 26	from passage	New section
Sec. 27	from passage	New section

Statement of Legislative Commissioners:

Additional sections were listed in section 1 and sections 26 and 27 were added for purposes of consistency with the remaining sections of the bill.

GAE Joint Favorable Subst.

The following fiscal impact statement and bill analysis are prepared for the benefit of members of the General Assembly, solely for the purpose of information, summarization, and explanation, and do not represent the intent of the General Assembly or either chamber thereof for any purpose:

OFA Fiscal Note

State Impact:

Agency Affected	Fund-Effect	FY 09 \$	FY 10 \$
Contracting Standards Board	GF - Cost	250,000	1,350,000
Department of Administrative	GF - Cost	140,000	188,000
Services			
Policy & Mgmt., Off.	GF - Cost	60,000	80,000
Various State Agencies	GF - Cost	See Below	See Below
Pub. Works, Dept.	GF - Cost	See Below	See Below
Comptroller Misc. Accounts	GF - Cost	76,000	602,700
(Fringe Benefits) ¹			

Note: GF=General Fund

Municipal Impact: None

Explanation

The bill changes the dates for implementing PA 07-1 of the September Special Session (SSS), An Act Concerning Clean Contracting Standards.

PA 07-1 SSS established the State Contracting Standards Board (SCSB) effective January 1, 2009 and appropriated \$700,000 in operating budget funds for FY 09. This bill changes the SCSB effective date to October 1, 2008, which will increase the agency's FY 09 budgetary requirements by \$250,000. The FY 10 (full year) operating costs are expected to be \$1,350,000, including Personal Services costs of \$761,000 for 10 full-time staff.

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¹ The fringe benefit costs for state employees are budgeted centrally in the Miscellaneous Accounts administered by the Comptroller. The first year fringe benefit costs for new positions do not include pension costs. The estimated first year fringe benefit rate as a percentage of payroll is 25.36%. The state's pension contribution is based upon the prior year's certification by the actuary for the State Employees Retirement System (SERS). The SERS fringe benefit rate is 33.27%, which when combined with the rate for non-pension fringe benefits totals 58.63%.

Changing the implementation date of PA 07-1 SSS advances the timetable for moving the SCSB into office space that will be able to accommodate 10 full-time staff. If state-owned space is not available, the estimated cost to lease space is \$158,000 annually.² It is unclear at this time how much office space the SCSB will need in its first year of operation and if there will be adequate state-owned office space available.

Passage of this bill will cause the Department of Administrative Services to incur \$140,000 in costs to hire three positions beginning in FY 09, rather than FY 10, to handle the procurement regulations and to develop a procurement education and training program for state employees.³ The annualized cost for these three positions is \$188,000.

In addition, the Office of Policy and Management will incur \$60,000 in costs beginning in FY 09, rather than FY 10, to consult with the SCSB to establish policies and procedures for the development of the cost-benefit analysis and to review privatization contracts.⁴ The annualized cost for this position is \$80,000.

The bill also changes the effective date concerning the contract exemption in the law's privatization procedures. The bill applies the exemption to contracts in effect on October 1, 2008, rather than January 1, 2009. Any state agency required to perform a cost-benefit analysis and business case would incur administrative costs, the magnitude of which would depend on the number and significance of the impacted contracts and the staff required to perform these functions. Affected state agencies would experience any resulting costs earlier, given the change in the privatization provision's effective date.

Under the bill, the procurement procedures apply to any non-privatization contract a state contracting agency solicits or enters into after April 1, 2010 (rather than June 1, 2010 as provided in PA 07-1

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 $^{^{2}}$ The Department of Public Works administers and funds the leasing of office space in the Hartford area.

³ Under PA 07-1 SSS costs to DAS were anticipated to begin in FY 10.

⁴ Under PA 07-1 SSS costs to OPM were anticipated to begin in FY 10.

SSS). The change in the effective date for procurement procedures advances the administrative requirements and responsibilities for state contracting agencies. Affected agencies would experience a significant workload increase, which may necessitate additional staff or resources, earlier in FY 10. The impact will depend on the number of contracts each agency administers and the procurement procedures developed by SCSB.

OLR Bill Analysis sSB 205

AN ACT CONCERNING THE IMPLEMENTATION OF STATE CONTRACTING REFORM.

SUMMARY:

PA 07-1, September Special Session (SSS) revamped the state's contracting process by establishing a State Contracting Standards Board (SCSB) as an independent agency and giving it various responsibilities associated with state contracting, including adopting procurement regulations and reviewing, monitoring, and auditing state contracting agencies' procurement processes. The law's procurement procedures apply to any contract, other than a privatization contract, a state contracting agency solicits or enters after June 1, 2010.

The law requires the Judicial and Legislative branches and statewide officers to each adopt a procurement code.

It establishes a procedure for privatizing state contracts, including a requirement for cost-benefit analyses and business cases.

This bill changes the dates for implementing PA 07-1, SSS on state contracting reform. In some cases, it changes the effective dates of specific sections of PA 07-1, SSS and, in others, it changes the date by which specified actions must occur. In all but one instance, the new implementation dates are earlier than in the original legislation. The exception is the date by which the SCSB must adopt regulations applying the procurement procedures in PA 07-01, SSS to each constituent unit of higher education. Under the bill, this date is extended from January 1, to October 1, 2011.

Under the bill, the procurement procedures in PA 07-1, SSS apply to

any non-privatization contract a state contracting agency solicits or enters after April 1, 2010 rather than June 1, 2010 as provided in that act.

The bill changes the contract exemption in the law's privatization procedures. By law, a state contracting agency may contract with a nonprofit agency without first developing a cost-benefit analysis and a business case if (1) the state contracting agency has a contract with the nonprofit on January 1, 2009 and (2) the contract will continue to be awarded to nonprofits through contract renewals, modifications, extensions, or rebiddings. The bill applies the exemption to contracts in effect on October 1, 2008, rather than January 1, 2009.

EFFECTIVE DATE: Upon passage or October 1, 2008 for the effective date changes; August 1, 2009 for the effective date of the provision on regulations defining the methods for awarding contracts; and October 1, 2009 for application of the procurement procedures.

IMPLEMENTATION DATES

Provisions	Current Effective Dates or Deadlines	Effective Dates or Deadlines Under the Bill
Definitions	1/1/09	10/1/08
SCSB established and given (1) powers and	1/1/09	10/1/08
duties regarding state procurement policies		
and (2) duties and responsibilities		
regarding state contracting agencies'		
procurement practices		
Requirement for new procurement	6/1/10	10/1/09
procedures to apply to certain contracts by		
a specified date		

Agency procurement officers –appointment and responsibilities	1/1/09	10/1/08
SCSB's duty to submit legislation on the application of new procurement laws and regulations	1/1/09	10/1/08
SCSB's duty to help the secretary of the state, comptroller, treasurer, and attorney general develop the best procurement practices	1/1/09	10/1/08
SCSB's duty to conduct compliance audits	10/1/11	10/1/08
SCSB's authority to review, terminate, or recommend the termination of a contract or procurement agreement	10/1/11	10/1/08
Contracting Standards Advisory Council established	1/1/09	10/1/08
Vendor and Citizen Advisory Panel established	1/1/09	10/1/08
State Contracting Portal established	1/1/09	10/1/08
Exemption from SCSB's general duties and privatization policies for a pilot program that creates and expands janitorial jobs for people with disabilities or a disadvantage	1/1/09	10/1/08
State contracting agencies' authority to request information that substantiates the reasonableness of a bidder's or proposer's price or cost	1/1/09	10/1/08
State contracting agencies' contracts must permit the agencies to conduct compliance	1/1/09	10/1/08

inspections of contractors' and		
subcontractors' businesses		
State contracting agencies may audit the	1/1/09	10/1/08
relevant books and records of a contractor		
or subcontractor under any negotiated		
contract or subcontract		
Requirement for state contracts to be	10/1/09	8/1/09
awarded using one of six methods		
Requirement for suspicions of collusion or	1/1/09	10/1/08
other anticompetitive practices among		
bidders or proposers to be reported to the		
attorney general		
Requirement for state contracting agency to	1/1/09	10/1/08
retain and dispose of all procurement		
records in accordance with the public		
records administrator's records retention		
guidelines and schedules		
Requirement for state contracting agencies	1/1/10	1/1/09
to develop a cost-benefit analysis and a		
business case before privatizing any state		
service not currently privatized		
Requirement for the administrative services	6/1/10	4/1/10
commissioner to establish a requisition		
system for use by state contracting agencies		
Requirement for agency procurement	6/1/10	4/1/10
officers to keep a record of all procurement		
contracts valued at less than \$50,000 for a		
minimum of five years		
SCSB's authority to disqualify contractors,	6/1/10	4/1/10

bidders, or proposers		
Authority of department heads of state contracting agencies to suspend any contractor, bidder, or proposer	6/1/10	4/1/10
Authority of bidders and proposers to contest the solicitation or award of a contract	6/1/10	4/1/10
Process for appealing an agency's suspension decision	6/1/10	4/1/10
Handling of illegal solicitations and contract awards	6/1/10	4/1/10
Requirement for all Legislative Branch, Judicial Branch, and state contracting agency contracts to contain provisions on accountability, transparency, and results- based outcomes	1/1/09	10/1/08
Date by which SCSB must submit legislation to permit state contracting agencies, other that quasi-public agencies, institutions of higher education, and municipalities, to comply with state procurement laws and regulations	7/1/10	5/1/10
Date by which SCSB must submit legislation to (1) have procurement laws apply to constituent units of higher education and (2) apply privatization and procurement statutes and regulations apply to quasi-public agencies	7/1/10	5/1/10
Date by which SCSB must submit	7/1/12	5/1/12

legislation to have procurement laws apply to municipal procurement processes when state funds are involved		
Date by which statewide officers must adopt a procurement code	6/1/11	4/1/11
Requirement for the Judicial and Legislative branches to prepare a procurement code	1/1/09	10/1/08
Date by which the Judicial and Legislative branches must prepare a procurement code	2/1/11	12/1/10
Date by which the Judicial Branch must submit its code to the Judiciary Committee for review and approval	2/1/11	12/1/10
Date by which state procurement contracts, including those of the Judicial and Legislative branches, must contain provisions to ensure accountability, transparency, and results-based outcomes	6/1/10	4/1/10
Requirement for SCSB to adopt regulations	1/1/09	10/1/08
Date by which SCSB must adopt all regulations, except those (1) establishing small purchase procedures for procurements of \$50,000 or less and (2) applying procurement procedures to constituent unit of higher education	6/1/10	4/1/10
Date by which SCSB must adopt regulations in consultation with administrative services, establishing small purchase procedures for procurements of \$50,000 or less	1/1/10	10/1/09

Date by which SCSB must adopt	1/1/11	10/1/11
regulations applying PA 07-01, SSS		
procurement procedures to each constituent		
unit of higher education, taking into		
consideration circumstances and factors		
unique to them		

COMMITTEE ACTION

Government Administration and Elections Committee

Joint Favorable Substitute Yea 11 Nay 0 (02/25/2008)